

# THE MINOR PROPHETS

The Book of Malachi Mal. 4:1-6



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a. The Coming Day, 4:1

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<u>Gen. 19:24-28</u> "Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone..."

Minor Prophets... Amos 1:4 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Benhadad. ... 7 But will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces thereof: ... 10 But will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof. ... 12 But will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.... <u>14</u> But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind: Amos 2:2 But | will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kerioth: and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet: ... 5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.

(Mt. 25:46, Rev. 20:11-15)

<u>Mt. 3:11</u> I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: **he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire**: <u>12</u> Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but **he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire**.

b. The Coming Dawn, 4:2

Mal. 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

<u>Rev. 14:6</u> And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, <u>7</u> Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

Psa. 37:6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

## *Minor Prophets...* The sun represents a trinity:

1) The sun has *light rays,* that you can see, but not feel = the Son

2) The sun has *heat rays*, that you can feel, but not see= the Holy Spirit

3) The sun has *actinic rays*, that you can neither see nor feel = the Father

c. The Coming Doom, 4:3

<u>Mal. 4:3</u> And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.

Minor Prophets... Isa. 66:24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

Mt. 3:12 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

8. Righteous Ones Revived, 4:4-6

a. The Requirements of Moses, 4:4

<u>Mt. 5:17</u> Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

Mt. 7:12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

Mt. 11:13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.

Mt. 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Lu. 16:16 The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.

<u>Jn. 1:45</u> Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

<u>Acts 13:15</u> And after the reading of the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, *Ye* men *and* brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.

<u>Acts 24:14</u> But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:

<u>Acts 28:23</u> And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into *his* lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of **the law of Moses**, and *out of* the prophets, from morning till evening.

Rom. 3:21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;

b. The Return of Elijah, 4:5-6

(1) The Time of That Return, 4:5

Mal. 4:5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

Lu. 1:17 And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

Minor Prophets... Jn. 1:21 And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No. 22 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? 23 He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias.

Mt. 11:14 And if ye will receive *it*, this is Elias, which was for to come.

<u>Rev. 11:3</u> And I will give *power* unto **my two witnesses**, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

- <u>4</u> These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.
- 5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.
- <u>6</u> These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.
- <u>Mal. 4:4</u> Remember ye the law of <u>Moses</u> my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, *with* the statutes and judgments.
- <u>5</u> Behold, I will send you **Elijah** the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: ...Major Message

<u>Mt. 17:1</u> And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, <u>2</u> And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

<u>3</u> And, behold, there appeared unto them <u>Moses</u> and <u>Elias</u> talking with him.

<u>4</u> Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

(2) The Tone of That Return, 4:6

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<u>Mt. 10:35</u> For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. 36 And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household.

Lu. 12:52 For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three. 53 The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

Mic. 7:6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies are the men of his own house.

Zech. 12:10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only *son*, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.

Rom. 11:26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

## **Conclusion**

<u>Mal. 4:6</u> And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, **lest I come and smite the earth with a curse**.

Rom. 11:1 I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, *of* the tribe of Benjamin.

<u>Gal 3:13</u> Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, **Cursed** *is* every one that hangeth on a tree:



Rev 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. 5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Rev. 22:3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: ...Major Message